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La Fayette College August 23d 1834.

To the ~~Brainerd Evangelical~~ "Society of Inquiry" of the Theological Seminary at Prin=

Dear Brethren

The great Head of the Church in the revelation of his mind and will, has plainly established the truth that all its members are one body. This fact being clearly demonstrated it necessarily follows that whatever concerns a part of that body, is, of importance to the whole. And not only so, but the close connection existing between the different members of the invisible church, of which Christ is the head, renders the call imperious to each to exert himself for the edification of those who form a part of the same mystical body. And indeed nothing seems more natural than that those who are embarked in the same cause, actuated by the same motives, encouraged by the same hopes and looking forward to the accomplishment of the same objects, should be united also in the efforts for their completion: ~~and~~ that they should mutually assist each other by their admonitions, their counsels, and their prayers, Influenced by these considerations the Brainerd Evangelical Society of LaFayette College have resolved, that a correspondence should affectionately be solicited from you. In presenting this request to you therefore We cannot but feel Dear Brethren that we are asking a favour from you, for which we shall not be able to return any adequate compensation But we do not on this account hesitate but rather feel inclined to press our entreaty the more earnestly. We feel assured that the experience which you have obtained from having long since passed over the ground which we now occupy, and proceeded onward to your present eminence, will give worth to your counsels, and importance to your suggestions. We also feel assured from the advanced stage to which you have arrived in your studies, that you have acquired a facility in the transaction of bussiness which renders you abundantly qualified to communicate much that might be highly useful to us. Your extensive and almost unlimited corresponce must we think be continually pouring in upon you, a tide of information really invalueable. Receiving communications from those in heathen lands who a little while ago were accustomed to assemble in the same halls, and to sit in the same seats, which you now occupy must we conceive give them a zest, which renders them peculiarly delightful. We are accustomed to think of you Dear Brethren as almost already clad from the gospel armory, with hearts burning with love for the destitue heathen breathing the devoted spirit of Brainerd, ~~enkindled~~ and cherished in your society, and just about to depart into some distant clime never warmed by the beams of the sun of righteousness. We hope therefore, you will communicate your sentiments to us unhesitatingly and unreservedly that you will warn us by your admonitions, encourage us by your counsels, and intercede for us in your prayers, that God our Father, in all things may be glorified in us and by us, resting assured that we on our part so far as our situation shall enable us will heartily reciprocate your kindness and ardently pray for your welfare

Wm M. Francis. Cor, Secy
of The Brd E. Socy of Lafayette
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P.S. Not knowing the name of your society, I
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But in looking over the pages of the Presbyterian, I
happily fell in with an essay delivered before the
"Society of Inquiry;" from which I discovered my
Error, –

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